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SUBJECT: FORWARD SISAL CONTRACT REPUDIATIONS

REFS: (A) STATE 064679; (B) DAR ES SALAAM 1136

1. BELGIAN AMBASSADOR, INFORMALLY REPRESENTING BRITISH AND DUTCH, WAS ASSURED BY FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA THAT REPUDIATIONS HAD BEEN ANNOUNCED WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF MINFORAFFAIRS. MINISTRY HAD PURSUED MATTER WITHIN GOVERNMENT POINTING OUT TO TANZANIAN SISAL BOARD AND OTHERS UNACCEPTABILITY TRADE AND OBVIOUS DANGERS THIS RAISED FOR FUTURE OF SISAL MARKET AND TANZANIA'S CREDITWORTHINESS IN GENERAL. TANGOV HAS NOW RECONSIDERED AND IS WITHDRAWING ITS UNILATERAL REPUDIATION. INSTEAD TANGOV REPRESENTATIVES TO CURRENT FAO MEETING IN ROME INTEND TO RAISE MATTER IN A SERIES OF INFORMAL BILATERAL SIDE MEETINGS IN ATTEMPT TO RENEGOTIATE CONTRACTS SO DISADVANTAGEOUS TO COUNTRY.

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2. UK, DUTCH AND OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES INVOLVED
BELIEVE MALECELA RESPONSE SATISFACTORY FOR PRESENT
AND NO RPT NO FURTHER ACTION PLANNED DAR ES SALAAM AT
THIS TIME. EUROPEANS CONSIDER MEETINGS WITH FONMIN
AS CONSULTATIONS AND NOT AS FORMAL DEMARCHE OR PROTEST.
FORMAL DEMARCHE WILL BE UNDERTAKEN ONLY IF FAO TALKS
END WITHOUT AGREEMENT OR OTHERWISE UNSATISFACTORILY.
BELIEVE PRUDENT FOR US TO SIMILARLY REFRAIN NOW FROM
DEMARCHE. IF DEPARTMENT DOES NOT CONCUR THIS COUSE,
ADVISE.
BEYER

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